NOTICE TO JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF PROPOSED LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCING

May 12, 2020

Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government 16 West Jones Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601 Attention: Committee Chairs and Assistant

Fiscal Research Division Legislative Office Building 300 North Salisbury Street, Suite 619 Raleigh, North Carolina 27603-5925 Attention: Director

North Carolina Local Government Commission 3200 Atlantic Avenue Longleaf Building Raleigh, North Carolina 27604 Attention: Secretary

County of Ashe, North Carolina Installment Financing

In accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §120-157.2(a), the County of Ashe, North Carolina (the "County") hereby notifies you of the County's intent to enter into an installment financing under Section 160A-20 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended either (a) pursuant to an installment contract with a financial institution or (b) through the issuance of limited obligation bonds, the proceeds of which will be used to (a) finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of a classroom and laboratory facility for the Ashe Campus of Wilkes Community College and (b) refinance prior installment financings, the proceeds of which were applied to the acquisition, construction and equipping of a law enforcement and detention center. To secure the County's obligations, the County will grant a deed of trust on all or a portion of the property being financed or refinanced.

The County expects that the financing will have a term of twenty years and that the amount advanced to the County will be approximately \$13,200,000. The County may pay its obligations from any source of funds available to it in each year. The County's obligation to make payments is a limited obligation of the County, subject to annual appropriation, and will not constitute a direct or indirect pledge of the faith and credit or the taxing power of the County.

The County expects that the North Carolina Local Government Commission (the "Commission") will consider for approval the County's proposal to finance the Wilkes Community College facility and to refinance the law enforcement and detention center at the Commission's meeting scheduled for July 7, 2020 or such later meeting as the County and the Commission may determine.

COUNTY OF ASHE, NORTH CAROLINA

By:

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